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in a Fiber-Optic Sensor by the Use of Berry's
Topological Phase*

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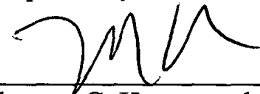
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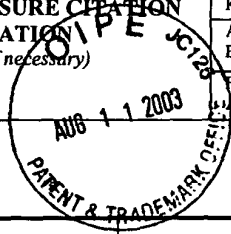
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